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The weather to-day in New York and its vicinity (including points within thirty miles of the city) promises to be generally cloudy, with rain and slight temperature changes, followed by colder weather and increase of storminess, esecially of the coasts, possibly followed by snow. Po-morrow it promises to be partly cloudy and considerably colder, with the advance of a "cold wave." preceded possibly by snow and followed by clearing and fair weather.

SUMMARY OF THE NEWS.

By Commercial Cable the HERALD receives the

Sir Arthur Sullivan's new opera "Ivanhoe" was successfully produced in London; London has coased to take deep interest in Irish affairs, and

Nice and Monte Carlo. Signor Crispi caused a Cabinet crisis in Rome by ar indiscreet remark in the Italian Chamber of

Paris society is mostly enjoying itself at Cannes,

Three regiments of infantry in Oporto, Portugal, revolted against the government. Chili advices, via Buenos Ayres, show the insurgents to be gaining upon the government.

MGovernor Hill has signed the Rapid Transit bill, and it is now a law.

decrease in the surplus reserve. Governor Hill and ex-President Cleveland at-

Manhattan Club. A. P. Dunlap, dramatic editor and agent, was fired upon by an angry and intoxicated dentist be-cause he would not hand over \$4 on account of a toboggan with it and slide to the devil.

tended the dinner given by Senator Brown at the

Michael Byrnes, while at work on the clavated road at Ninth avenue and li5th street, was instantly killed by a passing train.

Nine negroes who had supplanted white miners at Birmingham, Ala., were shot by unknown parties. Four were killed. Senator Aldrich has agreed not to attempt to call up the Force bill,

Committee, has been arrested in Chicago and will be taken to Washington. Never Print a paid advertisement as news matter. Let every advertisement appear as an advertisement-no sailing under false colors .- Charles A. Dana's Address to the

Wisconsin Edstorial Association, Milwankee,

Owenby, the witness wanted by the Silver Pool

July 24, 1888. A STORY Is TOLD of an advertiser who presented himself at the New YORK HERALD counter with a three thousand dollar roll as an offer for a half column advertisement with a good sized out accompanying it. The "ad." was refused without even consulting Mr. Howland. There is a standing rule in the Henald office to never insert advertising

cuts .- Exchange.

THE EXPENDITURES FOR PENSIONS for the year ending June 30, as now officially stated, amounted to \$109,357,534. In the previous year we paid \$87,644,779 11, while in the year before that we paid \$80,288,508 77. The cost of the German army, it may be interesting to note, is for this year estimated at \$91,726,293. Besides our pensions our army costs \$30,000,000.

Hurry and Worry,

The average American is a unique animal. He has peculiarities which seem to indicate a divergent species of the genus homo; marked characteristics which set him apart gard traditions and conventionalities and and then young Wolcott made the decisive make him something of an anomaly.

He is the busiest and most ambitious simply said, "Checkmate, gentlemen." creature on this planet; is positive in his beliefs and daring in his enterprise; has never learned the meaning of the word | without the excitement of a single boisterroused by difficulties.

His great misfortune is over-cerebration. His brain seethes, boils, bubbles. He is impatient, wants the railroad train to travel fifty miles an hour without stopping, drives his horses and himself at top speed, thinks nothing of a million, but aims at a million million, and secures as much of that aggregate as he can, is charmed with lightning because it always "gets there," and with the rolling thunder because it means business. He admires success so much that he doesn't ask any questions as to how it was achieved; of quarrels and conflicts." is conservative in religion, but would like to have it confine itself to the limits of Sunday and not intrude too familiarly into the affairs of the week.

to be asleep in the cradle, and at last than by their discord. jumps out of the world as though he had

to come at once. This mode of life tells on him. His hot | midor." brain makes the hair drop and his head | Beside the turmoil which prevailed there after awhile resembles a billiard ball with in the times which Sardon paints in his last that he might get it on wrong end to or in | thirties, when the Classicists and the Robates to look ridiculous and so goes bald | caused by Sardou's "Daniel Rochst." rather than trust to the possible disasters which false hair entails.

The stimulus which keeps him at high pressure is in the air. The coolest blooded ment. A foreigner who was so phlegmatic caused by politics. that he only winked once a day strolled the windows. The crowd jostled him. Gradually he caught the infection, became restless | twain. and began to hurry. He felt like a race horse on the track and struck a terrific gait. He had nothing to do, was a gentleman of divisible. You cannot kill it. leisure with the whole day before him, but the multitude hypnotized him. He wanted to go somewhere, anywhere, and to get there right off. At last he brought up at the Ful- offend sober and sensible republicans. Nor ton ferry, was bound to be the first on board, tipped over a poor apple woman's stand but couldn't stop to remedy the mis- in stopping the play. fortune, edged his way to the front of the he had nothing to do and had been doing it at a breakneck rate.

It was the air, the crowd, the general bustle, eagerness and rivalry which wore rest. His blood boiled, his nerves were

tingling, he was in a fever. We get used to that kind of life and don't recognize the fact that we are like a conflagration, that the body is always on fire, with smoke, flames, crackling timbers and a Dakota blizzard inside of us. Then comes dyspepsis, we wonder why, and we are as cross as bears; or rheumatism, and the Lord help everybody who speaks to us; or the gout, when our enforced idleness fills us with a rampant desire to break the furniture; or paralysis or apoplexy, when we drop out of he has expressed a willingness to come to the procession and give younger men a terms with the rebels, who will probably de-

chance to go and do likewise. What we need in this country is more fun and more physical exercise. Dollars look so big to us that we would jump across the are in open revolt and there is fighting in bottomless pit to grab them and run the risk of falling in. We think too much of money and too little of life, keep piling up a surplus | ror prevails. It is alleged that the mutiand then die before we have a chance to enjoy it, get a craze for cash until at last we | republic.

care more for it than it is worth, When we get to be older as a nation we shall have more holidays, more excursions, pionics, sports and leisure. Work is good, but too much of it is doom. We don't laugh enough, take life too seriously, have a keen appetite for enjoyment, but can't af-

ford the time to gratify it. The best rule, if you want to live long

weak. The bank statement showed a very slight | can as you go along, and even hunt for it if | Russian police have orders to exercise vigithere is none in sight. It is better to be a lance, and a certain undefined feeling of disman than to be a mere money cask, and a | comfort prevails. thousand times better to spend some of your earnings on yourself than leave it all and comfortable, with nothing to disturb to your children, who will probably buy a their sleep except the ghost of the Force

A Senatorial Game of Chess. Gorman, of Maryland, has suddenly become one of the most conspicuous democrats in the country. When those diabolical Siamese twins, the Force bill and the Cloture resolution, started on their passage through the Senate, things looked rather blue. Hoar and Aldrich, who had the measures in charge, are men of tact and debaters, but are specially skilled in Parliamentary strategy. The republicans, with the administration behind them, defied the common sense of the country and seemed sure of success. The President, though in the background, pulled the wires and apparently controlled the situation.

It was altogether one of the most serious crises in the history of legislation. On the issue depended, as far as human foresight could discover, the industrial welfare of the whole South. The enactment of the Bayonet bill into law meant certain disaster, possibly a race war, the consequences of which it might be difficult to forecast.

Gorman, who is acquainted with all the

resources of finesse, was cool, gentlemanly, unobtrusive and wary. There was no bluster, no threat, no noise. It was a game of chess in which every move on both sides was watched with breathless attention. Gorman quietly remarked "Check!" and the astonished republicans saw that the opposition was playing a very strong game. They made a new move, but were met a second time with the courteous word "Check!" Then they became frantic and in their fury played rather wildly. A third and a fourth time Gorman said "Check!" but never lost his temper, was serene and polite. At last the decisive mofrom his kind; a hopefulness which renders | ment arrived. Some independent republihim venturesome a dash, an audacity and cans, who cared more for country than for an environment which force him to disre- party, came round to the democratic side, move. Gorman looked the pieces over and

It was the finest bit of tactics in this generation, and the game was won by pure skill, "impossible," and is simply angered and ous display. And the country is grateful to Gorman, to his fellow democrats and to the republicans who had pluck enough to dely the revenges of Harrison and do their duty.

> "Thermidor" and the Theatre Français. Life, if not quite identical with strife, grows out of it.

> This is as true of the drama as of other things.

"If you glance over the annals of the Comédie Française," once said Francisque Sarcey, "you will find them a long record

It is a dozen years since M. Sarcey said this, but his words are as pertinent as ever. The public, the actors, the authors, the administrators of the great theatre have all He is in an everlasting hurry, whittles out contributed to its prosperity. And they his plans for the future while pretending have done so often less by their harmony

There have been riots in the past at the received a telegram from the Celestial City | Théâtre Français far more serious than those provoked by the production of "Ther-

two fiery sparks for eyes. He disdains a wig | play these "Thermidor" disturbances seem because he is so engaged in constant thought | triffing. There were hot nights, too, in the the scurry of business might slip it round | manticists waged war. And, coming nearer until the parting runs from ear to ear. He to our own day, we can recall the uproar

The conflicts to which Francisque Sarcey refers have had a host of causes. They have been prompted by religious and by literary passion. They have been due to petty spite man catches the epidemic of rush and in spite | and personalities. And—as in the case of of himself becomes breathless with excite- Sardou's "Thermidor" - they have been

A moment came (it was in "Thermidor." down Broadway, awhile since, looking into | too,) when politics worked so much havec in the famous company that it was split in

But, like the ideal Republic, the spirit of the Français-its tradition-is one and in-

At this distance from the Rue de Richelieu it is hard to say whether the political tendency of "Thermidor" was really such as to can we tell if the French government (which subsidizes the Français) did well or foolishly

But we do know that Paris could not live boat, gazed at Brooklyn as Columbus did at | without "the Comélie," and we are sure the new found land, jumped ashore entirely | that, though they should desert their present out of breath and suddenly remembered that | home, the artists of the glorious "House of Molière" are too true to their art, too patriotic, to stray far or long.

Even if they should resign, even if their house were closed, the legend and example him out and sent him to bed for sleep and of Molière would live in them. And where they lived would rise a new Théâtre Français.

Trouble Everywhere.

Our cable news from abroad this morning indicates a good deal of restlessness in certain quarters.

The Chilian revolution is in full blast. A government vessel opened fire on the insurgents' war ships, but her guns were soon silenced and she was compelled to surrender. President Balmaceda is in such straits that mand his resignation.

There is trouble also in Portugal. Three regiments of infantry stationed at Oporto the streets. The citizens are barricading their houses and a small sized reign of terneers are tired of a monarchy and want a

There is a serious crisis in the Chamber of Deputies at Rome, Prime Minister Crispi has been humiliated by an adverse vote and announces his determination to resign.

Warsaw is in a state of unusual commotion. The thirteenth of March is the anniversary of the murder of the Czar Alexander, and the nihilists are preparing necessaries of life in abundance-music and the tenor in the middle of his pet solo, the devil Stocks were phenomenally duli and generally and be happy, is to take all the pleasure you to strike a decisive blow on that day. The pork.

On the other hand Americans are happy bill, the eccentricities of the Farmers' Alliance, the conspiracy of Reed and McKinley attempts of Sir John Macdonald to keep Canada from joining the Union.

A Great Painter's Death.

Meissonier is dead. The brush of gold has ceased its coining and the brain of termination. They are not only sturdy de- higher value than when the author was liv- degrees below zero, Fahrenheit, at St. Vincent, ing. The master of French genre has passed into history with a reputation like that of Terburg and Teniers the younger, whom in some things he surpassed.

What was the secret by which this magician of the easel turned oil and color into conditions. gold? Lend us your ears. His painting was shade.

He who is dead saw with the eye of an opera lens and stated what he saw with the exactitude of a Claude Lorraine glass. It was the brilliant prose, not the poetry of art; the real, not the ideal,

There have been much greater painters, will live in art history forever.

Prices for Trotters.

The prices realized at last week's sales of There are twenty pretty maidens in the choir; Senator Stanford's trotters were not only a Hear the heaven ascending cadence-sounding disappointment to the seller, but fell below general expectation. The average [was notably less than that reached for similar stock a year ago.

This fact has caused no little speculation among those interested in the matter as to whether the result is due to special causes

Note her turn to hide her blushing—all a-fire;
whether the result is due to special causes or is to be taken as an indication of a general reaction from the high figures hitherto obtained for this type of horse.

Was this year's consignment of Senator Stanford inferior to that of last season? Has the popularity of the Electioneer and the other Palo Alto blood begun to wane? Or has the trotter started on the decline in popular estimation?

These are questions often asked in the last few days, but not definitely or satisfactorily answered.

It is a well known fact that far more and before, and the production is steadily and | meeting house. rapidly increasing. The increase in the past few years has been simply marvellous. An evening paper of yesterday reports Mr. Robert Bonner as saying:-

I first began to be interested in trotting horses in 1856. At that time there were only nineteen horses eligible to the 2:30 list, and there was not one in the 2:20 list or anywhere near it. During the year 1890, however, there were added to the 2:30 list nearly one thousand horses. This shows the wonderful progress made in recent years in developing speed in trotting horses.

It might be inferred from this that the supply of trotters is nearing, if it has not already reached and passed, a point in excess of the demand. On the other hand it is evident that the trotter has been steadily growing in popularity, and it may be claimed with much force that while better blood and higher speed will be demanded, animals possessing these qualities will continue to command liberal figures.

Only time can answer the questions now arising in many minds. But much light may be thrown on the subject by the results of the spring sales soon to be held.

The Coming of Sarah.

About the time these lines are printed Sarah Bernhardt should be nearing New York. We bid her welcome and we wish her all success. There is but one Sardou and Sarah is his prophetess.

A Severe "Cold Wave" Coming. The severe "cold wave" which the HEBALD vesterday morning predicted would form in the Northwest and would enter this section from the West to-night, is now apparently the coldest anti-cyclone reported in several weeks. The mercury was 20 degrees below zero yesterday in Northern Minnesota. The area of freezing weather may be expected to overrun the Atlantic seaboard as far South as the Carolinas by to-morrow night.

IF THE POLITICIANS of Pennsylvania who are blushing for what they call the treachery of Cameron would paint their cheeks with a faint crimson when they mention the name of Quay we might think their indignation had some honesty in it.

They are working themselves into a terrible stew because Cameron voted right on the Bayonet bill. He had better come over to the democracy, where voting according to judgment and conscience is not considered

COME TO THINK OF IT, there isn't much to complain of in our city government just | he does in public."

If Grant would only get rid of Beattie, who depends on the rain to keep our streets | 100. clean, we might be reasonably comfortable. Beattie does about as much work as the fellow who said his vocation was to "smoke glass for eclipses" and complained that busi- when the curate prayed for grace." ness was dull a good deal of the time.

THE democrats will assume control of the government in '93. Twenty years from that date they will have become as corrupt as the republicans are to-day, and we shall then turn them out. The doctrine of total depravity holds good with both parties THE GOVERNOR has signed the Rapid

Transit bill. An underground road, four

tracks, express trains to run twenty miles an hour, accommodation trains for way travellers-aren't you growing dizzy? We should remark. Hurrah! Four Men, one after the other, slipped on the same spot on Broadway yesterday

opinions in precisely the same language. CINCINNATI boasts that it has two of the

curious fact that they all expressed their

PERSONAL INTELLIGENCE.

HERALD WEATHER FORECASTS.—The storm depres ion now covers the country from the East Guif States to the lakes, with very heavy rains in the Lower Mississippi and Ohio valloys and snows in the lake region. The extended cyclonic system will probably move east-northeast and concentrate somewnat to-day, causing thick against Blaine's reciprocity project, and the | weather and a dangerous increase of storminess off the Atlantic coast, near Cape Hatteras and northward to Eastport, Me. The severe "cold wave" predicted in these forecasts is now overlying the Northwest. It will traverse the lakes and probably enter the northwestern part of this section to-night, and be attended to-morrow by freezing temperatures in Pennsylvania and New York. Temperature fell in the United the alchemist acts no more. His work on | States yesterday, except from the Gulf northward panel and canvas has now attained an even | to the lakes; the chief minimum reported was 29

Minu.; the chief maximum, 70, at Montgomery, Ala IN THIS CITY AND SUBURBAN DISTRICTS TO-DAY CLOUDY WEATHER WILL PROBABLY PREVAIL, WITH SLIGHT TEMPERATURE CHANGES, BAIN AND FRESH TO BRUSE EASTERLY TO SOUTHERLY WINDS, BECOMING SOMEWRAT VARIABLE, AND FOLLOWED BY COOLER

In the Middle States to-day cloudy to partly cloudy weather will prevail, with not poetry; it was prose. It was not inspira-tion; it was work. It was truth of feature, snow (more probably rain on the seaboard). truth of action; truth of light and truth of and fresh to brisk easterly and southerly winds, followed by clearing and colder weather in the western portions, with the advance of the severe Northwestern cold wave predicted in these forecasts. In New England to-day cloudy, warmer weather will prevail, with rain and snow, and fresh to brisk easterly and southerly winds, attaining dangerous force off the coast, during the night and o-morrow. On Monday in this city and section and in New England much colder, clearing weather will but none more thorough. His work will be probably prevail, preceded by snow near the admired as long as it lasts, and his name lakes and eastward to the coasts, with fresh to will live in art history forever. Tuesday, colder, clear weather in both sections.

IN THE CHOIR A YOUNG MAN'S REVERIE IN CHURCH.

higher; List the voices deep and mellow, See that girl in brown and vellow Flirting with another fellow In the choir!

Note her smile so sweet and crushing-in the choir; Here amid the congregation To watch all this agitation in the choir!

SUNDAY BEFLECTIONS. No one need be ashamed of an honest opinion. Wrong rights no man, however much it may

A weakness fully appreciated is already half Man is of a few days at the bost, yet most men industriously labor to make their days fewer. Secret philanthropy is an art that angels envy

and advertising agents despise. When Worth fashions the garments of righteous ness they're not out on the blas-nor in Paris. The man able to divine all the mysteries of eterfaster trotters are produced now than ever nity could see around three corners of a brick

A DALLY HINT FROM PARIS. [From the European Edition of the Herald.]



THE BUEF EATER HAT. known as the "Boof Eater," from the resemblance of the crown to the cap worn by the Yeomen of the Guard-is of black felt. The grown is of green velvet, encircled by a band of old gold passemen-toric and trimmed with black feathers.

Governor David B. H.ll, accompanied by his military secretary, Colonel Edmund L. Judson, and Secretary of State Frank Rice, arrived at the Hotel Normandie yesterday afternoon from Al-

OF LONG STANDING. The choir sang the anthem As we ventured down the aisle And with the great unseated Waited in single file Until a hard worked usher Ushed us with wear air. And not until then could we feel That it was good to be there.

REV. PLINK-PLUNK ON PRIDE. "Pride deah breddern, am a sin wich doan pay, no mattah how ya look at it. I knew an old niggah once dat wuz so proud dat he nebbah looked at anything but do sky; one day he stepped on a banana skin an' landed on his back so hard an' heavy dat his spine wuz all shook out ob joint, and now he moves along, wif a stick in each hand, doubled up like a boy in de green apple season, an spends his time countin' de cracks la de sidewalk."

Senator W. J. McConnell, of Idaho, is at Senator W. J. McConnell, of Idaho, is at the Hoffman House. Bishop Wingfield, of California, is at the Clarendon. Bishop George W. Peterkin, of West Virginia, is at the New York. Ex-Governor Rufus B. Bullock, of Georgia; General Felix Agnus, of Baltimore; Senator Donald McNaughton, of Boehester, and Mr. Lynde Harrison, of New Haven, are at the Fifth Avenue. Mr. Edward Atkinson, of Boston, is at the Windson. The Rev. W. H. H. Murray, of Burlington, Vt., is at the Everett. Senator John Laughlin, of Buffalo, is at the Metropole. BARE SINCERITY.

"Do you think Brown is really sincere in his religion?" "Undoubtedly. He prays longer in private than

Schor Pietra, the Venezuelan Minister, was received yesterday by President Diaz, of Mex-RECOGNIZED HER NAME,

"She is awfully conscious."

"Why do you think so?" "She got as tred as fire in church this morning A DEFINITION. The anthem, as they sing it now, Some people seems to suit; To me it seems more like a row-A musical dispute.

HE WON'T BE IN IT. The man who shakes hand with the devil all week And on Sunday just bows to the Lord, Will be on the exterior side, you can bet, When accounts for the last time are scored.

ONE OF THE SYMPTOMS.

"That was the young preacher's first sermon, wasn't it?"

"Yes. How did you know?"

"By his elaborate argument to prove the existence of the Deity."—Chicago Tribune.

President Elliott, of Harvard University, started yesterday on a six weeks' trip to Denver, where his son, the Rev. Samuel A. Elliot, resides. He will also visit the principal Western cities. His annual report to the Board of Overseers will be published and went down into the mud. It is a Monday. It will show that the university is in a most flourishing condition. Professor Clement Smith, dean of the college, has resigned as dean his resignation to take effect in June.

SERMONETTE ON THE DEVIL. When the organist goes off the key, and "queers' just goes up into the steeple and laugus.

TRADERS' VIEWS OF A PECULIAR MARKET.

A Reminiscence of "the Little Wizard's" Former Trip Over a Brice-Thomas Railway Line.

IT'S DIFFERENT THIS TIME.

The "Pegging" of Missouri Pacific, the Boom in the Northern Pacific and What They Mean.

The "Little Wizard" and Mr. Cammack own all there is of stock speculation just now. Transactions in stocks fell off one-third in volume last week, and there was an equally large decrease

in the sale of bonds. If anything were needed to fix the public indisposition to speculate it would be the conspicuous position which the "Little Wizard" has assumed as

There are, unfortunately, good and sufficient reasons why the public should hold aloof from Wall street-continued uncertainty as to the fate of the Force bill and the Silver bill, the diminished earnings being reported by the granger roads and the fact that the new Western Traffic Association has not yet crystallized into anything tangible. If these were not enough to hold the public aloof

from the street, however, the role which the "Little Wizard" is playing would of itself suffice. Tomorrow he goes South, with a great flourish and in a special car, in company with Mr. Calvin S. Brice, General Sam Thomas and others connected with the Richmond Terminal, and for days the street has been flooded with points to buy Richmond Terminal stock on the ground that the "Little Wizard" had purchased a controlling interest and was going to play some of his old time prestidigitateur tricks with its shares. A very cold "No, I thank you," is all the response returned by the street thus

This is not surprising, for a burnt child dreads even cold water, and the Terminal "water" with which the street was burnt at 70 and again last summer at 20 was by no means cold. The Wizard's proposed trip over Messrs. Brice and Thomas' road recalls the trip they once induced him to take unwittingly over their "Nickel Plate" after its completion as a parallel to the Lake Shore line. They were endeavoring to induce Mr. W. H. Vanderbilt to take the road off their hands, but they met with no success until they induced "the Little Wizard" on one of his trips to pass over it.

It had been several times whispered to Mr. Vanderbilt that "the Little Wizard" was going to secure control of the road, but Mr. Vanderbilt did not 'bite" until he learned that the "Wizard" was actually inspecting the road. The trick succeeded. Knowing the annoyance the Nickel Plate might give him if it passed into strong bands, Mr. Vanderbilt hurriedly accepted the terms of Messrs. Brice and Thomas and took the road off their hands. It was common rumor at the time that they had about exhausted their credit, when by this ingenious trick they got rid of their burden. It isn't often that "the Little Wizard" is used as a catspaw, and it may be that the memory of this episode was fresh in his mind while in the panic two months ago he acquired his present interest in Terminal. He then drove a hard bargain with certain embarrassed gentlemen connected with the Richmond Terminal road and privately took a block of its securities off their hands at his own price.

The rank and file of professional traders are an irreverent crew and make very free with the names of the great ones of the street. Sometimes their chattering theories are amusing, don't you know, as for instance when they conjecture that advance in Northern Pacific preferred stock in this generally dull and heavy speculation is directly caused by the Standard Oil people, who carried a big jag of the stock through the panic, and that they are encouraged and helped in the present movement by Mr. Cammack, who wants to unload the North American shares with which he was "left" when that precious concern col-The brim of the above stylish hat-which is lapsed last November. The easiest and most obvious explanation of the movement is to attribute it to the buying of foreign capitalists at the suggestion of Mr. Villard, but your knowing trader only winks at this and asks whother people who want to actually buy a stock usually go about distributing bull points in order that they may have the pleasure of paying a higher price for it. Certain it is that the street has been kept flooded with tips to buy the Northern Pacifics, and talk of an increased dividend on the preferred shares and of giving bonds in exchange for them is kept incessantly affoat, both verbally

> and in print. The other strong buoyant feature in the market is; Missouri Pacific, which was marked up early in the week on very moderate transactions and for some days has been "pegged" round 66, "The Wizard," his son George, Mr. Sage and all of that ilk meanwhile blowing the loudest kind of bull trumpets about the stock and inspiring articles with the same purpose. It may be his intention to mark it much higher before the "peg" is withdrawn, and it may be pulled out before he starts South. Those who buy it just before the "peg" is pulled may learn something very much to their disadvantage. The case of money overywhere and its steady flow to this centre is certainly a strong bull point, inasmuch as it ensures a cheap supply of the needful to manipulate a bull movement, but until Congress adjourns, or at least until the Force bill and the Silver bill are out of the way for good it seems impossible to induce the public to risk their money in Wall street Secretary Windom's death removes one of the strongest advisers of the President in this currency crisis, and if the free silver party should by any trick scoure'delay and render it necessary to call an extra session of Congress (they claim double the number of their present vote in the next House) the present suspense might be indefinitely

> prolonged. Transactions on the Stock Exchange during the reek aggregated 1,080,276 shares. Of this amount 793,310 shares represent the trade in twelve stocks, leaving 286,966 shares as the total sales of the other 135 properties in which there were dealings. The following table gives the number of shares sold and fhe net changes in the twelve most active

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TROUBLES OF BUSINESS MEN.

The Consolidated Mutual Fire Insurance Company, with offices in Chicago, made on assignment yesterday to its vice president, George H. Richey. On its face the failure appears to be a very bad one, as the schedule of assets is but \$15,225, while the liabilities are an even \$100,000. The company was organized about twelve months ago succeeding the Consolidated Fire Insurance Company. The assignees' attorney says the failure is due to the decision of the State Auditor that all contested

claims should be included among the Habilities The large wholesale grocery house, the Brooks Smith Company, incorporated, of Burlington, lows, failed yesterday. The failure is caused by the foreclosure of a chattel mortgage for \$40,000 held by the First National Bank, of Burlington. The assets are \$75,000 and liabilities \$50,000.